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Appeal No: 2009-014954  
Appellant: Hideo Matsunaga, Masaomi Hirata et al.  
Application No: 10/802,874  
Hearing Room: A  
Hearing Docket: B  
Hearing Date: Tuesday, October 18, 2011  
Hearing Time: 01:00 PM  
Location: Madison Building - East Wing  
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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q80281

Hideo MATSUNAGA, et al.

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Group Art Unit: 3711

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Examiner: Sebastiano PASSANITI

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**REQUEST FOR POSTPONEMENT OF ORAL HEARING**

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Sir:

In the Notice of Hearing mailed on September 21, 2011, an Oral Hearing on Appeal for the above-identified application was set for October 18, 2011, at 1 P.M. The undersigned attorney has worked on the present application since the application was filed seven years ago and is most knowledgeable about the history of the present application. The undersigned attorney, however, has previously made arrangements for business travel abroad from October 14, 2011, through October 29, 2011, and is not able to attend the scheduled Oral Hearing. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the Oral Hearing be rescheduled at a subsequent date after October 29, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,  
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